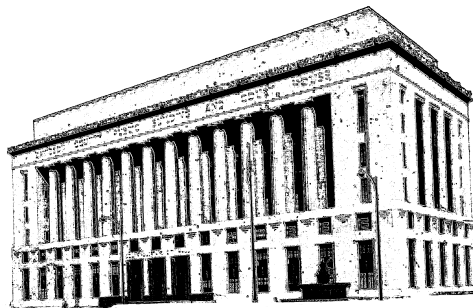


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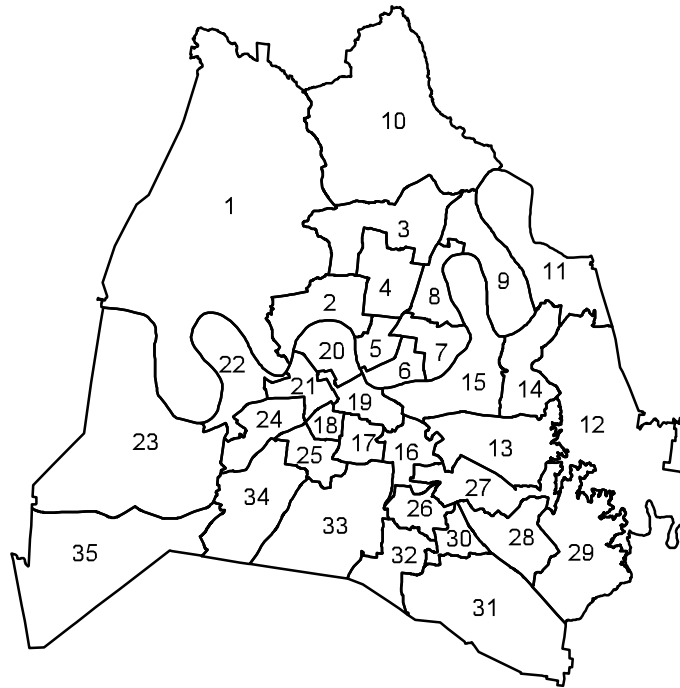
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GFOA's 2003 AWARDS FOR EXCELLENCE IN GOVERNMENT FINANCE

CHICAGO ILLINOIS--The Government Finance Officers Association of the United States and Canada (GFOA) has announced the winners of its 2003 Awards for Excellence in Government Finance. GFOA's most prestigious award recognizes contributions to the practice of government finance exemplifying outstanding financial management. The awards stress practical, documented work that offers leadership to the profession and promotes improved public finance.

This year's Awards for Excellence winning entries encompass such innovations in areas of budgeting, bond insurance and e-government.

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"Citizen's Guide to the Metro Budget"

Metropolitan Government of Nashville & Davidson County, Tennessee

The *Citizen's Guide to the Metro Budget* is a tool of transparency designed to give the citizens an opportunity to view and comment on the strategic and operational direction of the local government. The *Guide* is a multi-faceted Web page which originates as a link on the main government Web site. Features of the Web site include: overviews of priority recommendations for the budget; updates on progress to advance Metro's four priority areas of public education, public safety, quality of life, and valuing employees; rapid, easy access to department-level information on activities, performance, and finances; and information on how tax dollars work in the community. The site is designed for easy access from a dial-up modem but is also customized with a flash version if the viewer wants. The information is simplified for the broad base of citizens giving an overview of the budget process, glossary, and is written at an eighth- to tenth-grade level.

Nashville is one of only three national winners of GFOA's 2003 Awards for Excellence in Government Finance. The award was based on our FY 2003 *Citizens' Guide to the Budget*; we are improving the site for FY 2004. See it at www.nashville.gov.



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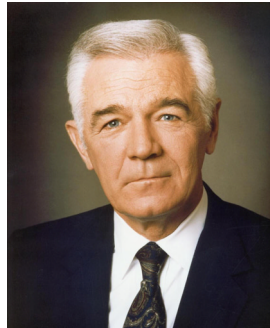
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Metropolitan Mayors 1963-2003



Beverly Briley 1963-1975



Richard Fulton 1975-1987



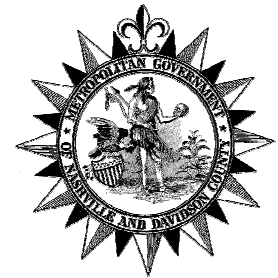
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Phil Bredesen 1991-1999



Bill Purcell 1999-present



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Jerry Atkinson 1966-1971



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Jay West 1995-1999

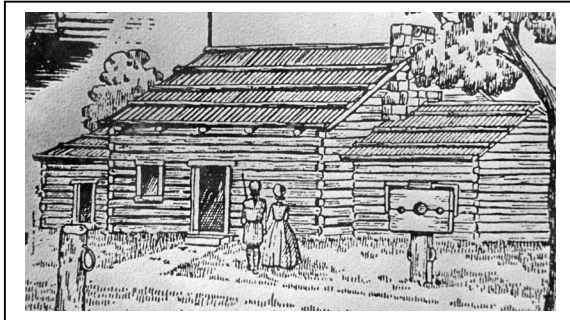


Ronnie Steine 1999-2002



Howard Gentry 2002-present

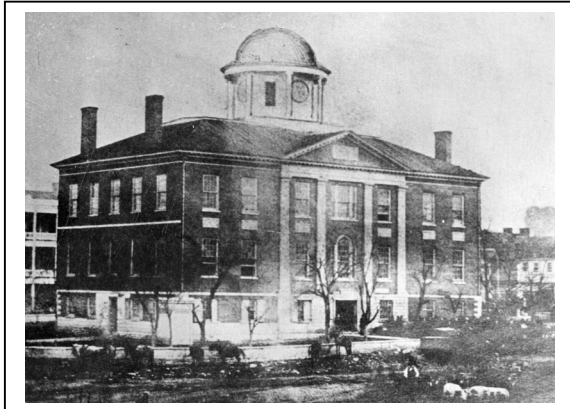
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Courthouses

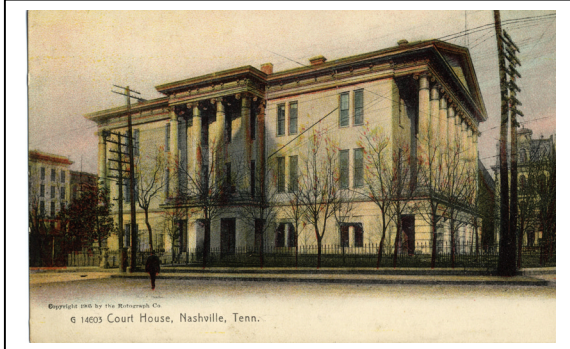
The Courthouse renovation continues a history of improvements to the County's civic center.

The first courthouse, built circa 1784, had a center section measuring eighteen feet square. It underwent major repairs in 1792. (Drawing courtesy of the Metro Archives)

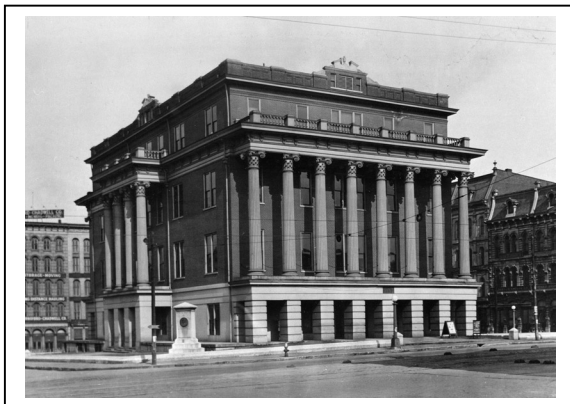


Little is known about a second courthouse built in 1802.

The third courthouse, completed in late 1829 or 1830, was a brick-and-stone building that measured 105' wide by 63' deep by 90' high to the top of its dome. It contained public offices in the basement, and six large rooms in each of its two upper stories; the dome contained the town clock. It burned in 1856. (Photo courtesy of the Metro Archives)



The fourth courthouse, built in 1857, was designed by W. Francis Strickland, son of the architect of the Tennessee State Capitol, and is reminiscent of that building. It measured 118' by 72' in size, and had a basement plus three stories above ground. It was first occupied by the Court in 1859. This photo dates to 1905. (Photo courtesy of John Lawrence Connelly, Davidson County Historian)



The building was remodeled in 1910 with an additional story added. It was demolished in 1935, along with the City Hall and Market House, to make room for the present Courthouse. (Photo courtesy of the Metro Archives)

40th Anniversary of Metro Government



The present fifth courthouse, completed in 1937, is an Art Deco design eight stories high and measuring 260' by 96'. It was designed to handle County administrative offices, and the Criminal, Circuit, and Chancery Courts and their Clerks, as well as jail space. It is variously inscribed the "Court House and City Hall" and the "Davidson County Public Building and Court House". (Photo courtesy of the Metro Archives)



When the present Courthouse was built, the Woodland Street Bridge across the Cumberland River passed directly in front of the Courthouse into Deaderick Street.

(Photo courtesy of the Metro Archives)

In the mid-1970's, a new Woodland Street bridge was built, and the approaches to the west end of the bridge were moved south to Union Street. The buildings that had been on the east and south sides of the squares were demolished, and a parking lot was created in front of the building.



By the Spring of 2003, the building's tenants had outgrown its space, and the building was in need of major repairs and upgrades to the building's infrastructure and redesign of interior space. A renovation will do these things, restore operation to the two front fountains, and move some courts to a new building behind the Ben West Building. (Photo courtesy of R B Boydston)

A major renovation of the building is being undertaken in 2003. It will also include replacement of the above-ground parking by a plaza with underground parking. (This had been considered in the mid-1970s renovation, but was not cost-effective at that time given the relatively low cost of downtown property).

During the renovation, all Courthouse offices have been moved. The Mayor's Office, Council, Metropolitan Clerk, and the Finance and Law Departments have been moved to the former main library. (Photo courtesy of R B Boydston)



40th Anniversary of Metro Government

First inaugural ceremonies of Metropolitan Government, 1963



(photo courtesy of the Metro Archives)

State of Metro 40th Anniversary Address by Mayor Bill Purcell, 2003



(photo courtesy of Gary Layda)

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